carried out recently, as indicated in the preceding para.

Encroachment of land in Lalji Nagar Green area Delhi

2139. SHRIMATI USHA MALHOTRA: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some officers of the DDA have been penalised in connection with the unauthorised encroachment in Lalji Nagar green area of Delhi;

(b) if so, what are their names and charges against them;

(c) whether it is also a fact that there are casses of unauthorised encroachment in Jogabai green area and behind Chandralok cinema near EPDP colony; and

(d) if so, what action has been taken against the guilty officers?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a and (b) The following officers of the DDA have been suspended pending investigation of the case in detail, on the basis of preliminary enquiry, in connection with unauthorised encroachement in Lalji Nagar green area —

1. Shri S. K. Bhat, D.D. (Hort).
2. Shri J. P. Verma D.D. (L)
3. Shri Shamim Ahmed, A.S.O.
4. Shri Phool Chand, Garden Supervisor.
5. Shri Harpal Singh Forester.
6. Shri Sat Narain, Patwari.
7. Shri Niranjan Singh, Patwari.

(c The DDA has reported that there is no unauthorised encroachment in Jogabai green area. The area behind Chanderlok Cinema near E.P.D.P. Colony is, however, under unauthorised occupation. The unauthorised occupant has obtained *status quo* orders from the High Court of Delhi and no action can be taken till these orders are vacated.

(d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.

Civil Supplies Corporations in States

2140. SHRI S. W. DHABE:
SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) what are the States where civil supplies corporations have been set up, and what steps Government are going to take to set up such corporations in States where the same have not been set up in order to streamline the public distribution system; and

(b) what is the number of States which have been extended the public distribution scheme to all the rural areas?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH): (a) The following States|Union Territory have set up Civil Supplies Corporation:

1. Andhra Pradesh
2. Bihar
3. Himachal Pradesh
4. Kerala
5. Karnataka
6. Punjab
7. Madhya Pradesh
8. Tamil Nadu
9. Uttar Pradesh
10. Orissa
11. West Bengal
12. Gujarat and
13. Delhi.

The Central Government has suggested to States|Union Territoriesto consider setting up Civil Supplies Corporations wherever necessary.

(b) Allthe States|Union Territories have extended the Public Distribution System to the rural areas.